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The States of Europe ought, in emulation of yours, to show in fact that all differences can be removed by treaties which oblige the parties to submit to arbitral decisions freely and loyally accepted.

ANGELO MAZZOLENI.

NEWARK, N. J., May 17, 1893.

DR. TRUEBLOOD:

My Dear Sir—In the letter received from you some time ago you urged that we should get all the peace possible into the Columbian Liberty Bell. I have been thinking and sleeping on the question as how best to accomplish this, and it seems to me that if the *ADVOCATE OF PEACE* and the *Peacemaker* would urge their friends of peace to contribute to the bell on the penny, nickel, dime or dollar basis, one each for every event that can be recognized as a peace event in the history of the world that they can name, for every representative of this idea whose memory they would like to have the bell commemorate, it would accomplish this. All these various letters and suggestions would be pasted into scrap-books and made use of in writing the history of the bell.

The success of the bell idea has been wonderful. Up to date over 200,000 individuals, principally children, have sent in their pennies, and over 600 packages have been received, by express, of material.

Some of the packages contain over 1000 contributions. Our effort up to date has been to have the many produce the bell, and we have in hand a little more than one-half the cost.

We are anxious to have the money contributions add up faster from now until June 8th.

Sincerely yours,

WM. O. McDOWELL, *Chairman*

NEW BOOKS.

The Baroness Von Suttner's celebrated story, "*Die Waffen Nieder*," is now accessible in a good English version. The book has been admirably translated by Mr. T. Holmes, of London, under the title, "*Lay Down Your Arms*." This translation is the only one authorized by the Baroness and has been made under her supervision. Though the translated title does not retain all the vigor of the German expression, "*Die Waffen Nieder*," yet the body of the work itself has given as nearly all the spirit and fire of the original as can well be put into a translation.

The story has been widely read in Europe and translated into many of the European languages, and has done much already to awaken serious attention to the horrors and unreasonableness of war. It is as realistic as *Uncle Tom's Cabin*, or as *Mrs. Jackson's Ramona*, and is a bold and unsparing, yet perfectly reasonable and fair arraignment of the war system. The book will be kept on sale at the office of the American Peace Society. A liberal

discount will be given when several copies are ordered at once. The publishers are Longmans, Green & Co., London and New York, whose advertisement appears on another page.

The Roberts Bros., Boston, have just published the third and fourth volumes of Edward L. Pierce's *Life and Letters of Charles Sumner*. The whole set of four volumes, advertised on another page, gives not only a vivid picture of the life and work of the great statesman, but constitutes an important part of the history of the most stirring and instructive period in our national history. Among statesmen Charles Sumner was easily the foremost leader in the anti-slavery movement. The story of his great speech on Kansas in 1855 and the subsequent attack upon him by Preston S. Brooks, as told by Mr. Pierce in the third volume of this memoir, reads like one of Scott's romances. These volumes will be of great interest to the friends of peace, on account of Sumner's well known attachment to and outspoken advocacy of the cause of peace. He first came into notice as an orator by his noble oration on "*The True Grandeur of Nations*," delivered before the citizens of Boston, in 1845. Mr. Pierce tells in a vivid way the story of this speech and the sensation which it made among both the civilians and the military men who were present. These volumes ought to have and will have a wide reading.

AMONG THE PAPERS.

PEACE AT THE WOMEN'S CONGRESS.

The white-winged dove was brooding over Columbus Hall yesterday morning. Women who work for peace were there, women who are making war for peace, women likewise who are making war for women. The speakers wanted not at all for an audience. Some portion of the crowd shifted between addresses, passing out to give place for a larger crowd that drifted in. Minnie D. Louis pounded the chairman's desk with a gavel at 10 o'clock and introduced Nico Beck Meyer of Denmark, who spoke on "*Universal Peace*" with an impassioned earnestness that had its tokens in the tears that filled her eyes and in the trembling tones of her voice.

The Rev. Amanda Deyo of Pennsylvania spoke upon the same topic. She said:

"Frenchmen, Germans, Russians, Englishmen, Italians, Austrians, we have no personal hatreds against each other to satisfy. Why should we massacre each other? If an individual amongst us thinks that he has to complain of an act of injustice on the part of his neighbor his recourse would be to the courts of justice. What is useful and good in the intercourse of individuals ought also to be so in the relations between nations. Let us then solve in a pacific way all the difficulties which might put us into a state of war, and then let us relieve the peoples of a great part of the burdens which their ruinous armaments lay on them."—*Chicago Tribune*, May 20.